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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled METHODS AND MATERIALS FOR TREATING AND PREVENTING INFLAMMATION OF MUCOSAL TISSUE, the specification of which

- ☐ is attached hereto.  
☒ was filed on October 22, 1998 as Application Serial No. 09/177,273 and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_.  
☐ was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. \_\_\_\_\_  
filed on \_\_\_\_\_ and as amended under PCT Article 19 on \_\_\_\_\_.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information I know to be material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

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VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS  
 (37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(b)) - INDEPENDENT INVENTOR

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- ☐ the specification filed herewith.  
☒ application serial no. 09/177,273, filed October 22, 1998.  
☐ patent no., issued.

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